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Their trial date has been set for October 18th. Amnesty International, Human Rights Watch, and the **U.S. Commission on International Religious Freedom** all charge that the 7 Baha'is are being targeted solely because of their religious beliefs and have called on the Iranian government to release them.

In a recent speech in Washington D.C., Secretary of State Clinton said that she and President Barack Obama stand firmly on the side of freedom of expression and freedom of religion, 2 fundamental human rights enshrined in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. Iran is among the first nations to ratify the Universal Declaration.